

August 8, 2012

Ms. Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary Federal Communications Commission 445 12th Street Southwest Washington, DC 20554

Re: Ex parte notice regarding the Better Broadband, Better Lifeline Application for the FCC's Lifeline Pilot Program, WC Docket NO. 11-42.

Dear Secretary Dortch,

This letter is to notify you that on August 8, 2012, at the request of Jonathan Lechter, the following individuals spoke with Jonathan Lechter, Jay Schwarz, and Garnet Hanly of the FCC:

- Partnership for a Connected Illinois: Drew Clark, John Horrigan, Lacey Buss, Anne Madonia-Hubbard
- Connected Living: Gina Baxter
- Madison Telephone Cooperative: Kim Harber, Mary J. Schwartz Westerhold
- Adams Telephone Cooperative: Jim Broemmer, Rob Hutter
- Mid-Century Telephone Cooperative: Brenda Soland
- Harrisonville Telephone Company: Jim Whitcher

The following items were discussed in regard to the Better Broadband, Better Lifeline application in the aforementioned docket:

- Speeds offered by participating Eligible Telecommunications Carriers.
- · Planned procedures for assigning individuals into the control group and study group.
- Ability for data tracking of those in the study group.
- Languages service will be marketed in.

FCC staff requested that PCI file supplemental information on some of the above topics, which will be done.

Pursuant to Section 1.1206(b) of the Commission's rules, this letter is being filed electronically.

Sincerely,

Drew Clark

Executive Director

Partnership for a Connected Illinois

cc: Jonathan Lechter, Jay Schwarz, Garnet Hanly